

Week #2 Match Report

Date: Saturday Nov 13, 2004 (James Kenney Park, Berkeley)

Result: Berkeley 5 v Marauders 0

Try: Juan Hernandez

Referee: Sam Davis

This was second meeting between these two sides, and after being defeated by SJ in April, Berkeley had a chance to measure their progress since that time. After the last minute closure of Gabe's field the teams regrouped to JK park, when they had to contend with a less than regulation width field. The result was a bruising encounter, with the heavier SJ team trying to continually crash it through the Berkeley line. However the Berkeley defenses held strong, with some epic tackling (subsequentially relived many times with the game DVD) preventing the line from being breached. In a game where many rookie players were blooded, Berkeley always looked to counter attack, and the backs looked dangerous whenever they found some room. With the clock running out, and the large crowd of supporters cheering loudly, Hernandez crashed through to score the winning try. Both teams joined together afterwards to dull the pain of the bruising encounter with juicy slabs of tri-tip, bangers, beer and sangria before limping away to nurse their aches.